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16 Feb 54

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Former Gestapo, SD and SS Personnel employed by the BfV.

Reference is made to my memo of 10 Dec 1954, File 5V-2069,  
Subj: Request for Information re BfV "Freie Mitarbeiter", and to subsequent  
correspondence on this subject.

Attached, hereto, are two copies of a brief of information  
on the following listed BfV "Freie Mitarbeiter" which has been prepared  
by BIDG and passed to OCA for information:

FEHLING, August  
HANNIG, Bernhard  
REIN, Oskar  
PRICKEL, Erich  
STRUZING, Johannes.

It is hoped that results of Central Registry checks on the foregoing,  
as requested in the referenced memo of 10 Dec, can be provided this office  
without further delay.

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SUMMARY

Subject: BfV Freie Mitarbeiter.

I. Johannes STRUEBING.

The following information has been obtained from the BERLIN Documents Centre:-

(i) NSDAP: 1st February 1940  
Allg.SS: 1st February 1937 (SS O'Stuf 1 September 1942)  
Allg.SS Unit: RSHA.  
Joined police: 6th April 1927.  
Gestapo: since 1st February 1937.  
Ranks: Krim. Kommissar-Stapoleitstelle BERLIN.

(ii) SHAEF cards give the following information:-

RSHA Art IV E 3: 1943  
Abt. IV A 2 of RSHA BERLIN: June 1943  
Abt. IV A 2b of RSHA BERLIN: June 1944. Concerned with the search for Russian paracite agents.

(iii) Heinz PATZE, a Gestapo Krim. Assistant in RSHA IV 2A in June/July 1944 alleged under interrogation by an Allied Official in May 1945 that "STREUBING" "took a leading part in the winding up of several terror and sabotage organisations and is known for his brutal way of interrogation". PATZE further alleged that STREUBING "did most of the work in connection with the arrests after the attempt to assassinate HITLER".

II. Erich PRECKEL.

The following information has been obtained from the BERLIN Documents Centre:-

NSDAP: 1st May 1933.  
SS: 1933-1934,  
and 1937-1945 (SS Stabaf 9 Nov. 1943)  
SS Units: 1933-1934: SS Pionier Sturmabn WUPPERTAL.  
1937: RSHA.  
Kripo: since 15th February 1932.  
Gestapo: since 1st April 1935.  
Until 15th August 1940: Stapostelle KIEL.  
15th August 1940: Stapoleitstelle, DUESSELDORF.  
August (September?) 1939 - August 1940: Detailed to Sipo WARSAW.  
Rank: Kriminalrat.

III. August FEHLING.

The following information has been obtained from the BERLIN Documents Centre:-

(1) NSDAP: 28th April 1933  
SA: 17th February 1933  
Rank: Truppfuhrer  
Units: May - July 1934 : Chef Ausbildungswesen.  
January - March 1935: SA Führerschule WESEL  
Up to 15 March 1936: Stabewache Gruppe NIEDERPHILIN.  
15 March 1936 - 1 March 1938: Standarte Feldberrnhalle,  
since 2nd March 1938 (served full-time in the latter  
Allg.SS: April 1938)

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From 1940: SS Oberscharfuehrer.  
1938-1942: served in the Grenzpolizei on the Czech-Hungarian-Yugoslav frontier.  
1942-1945: at Gestapo Leitstelle DUESSELDORF.  
Kriminal Assistent.

## IV. Bernhard HANNIG.

The following information has been obtained from the BEWLDN Documents Centre:-

MSDAP: 1st April 1933  
Allg. SS: 1 June 1933 (Hptstuf 30 January 1942)  
Allg. SS Unit: Sturm 8/45.  
1 Reserve/12 (in 1938)  
SD, RSHA.  
Kriminal Kommissar of Kripoleitstelle HANNOVER.

## V. Oskar HEIN.

The following information has been obtained from the BEWLDN Documents Centre:-

- (i) MSDAP: 1st May 1933  
SS applicant: 1st July 1938 (Hptstuf 1 September 1942)  
Allg. SS Unit: RSHA  
Gestapo: since 1935.
- (ii) The following additional details are based on an interrogation report of HEIN by an Allied Official:-

1937: Stapo Leitstelle HAMBURG Abt. III (industrial security)  
1938: Stapo KOBLLENZ  
1939: " KIEL  
1939: " LITZMANNSTADT  
1940: " SCHWERIN  
1940 - (Aug): RSHA Amt IV (Aktenauswertungsstelle Frankreich  
1941 (June) Stapo SCHWERIN and Balkan)  
(October 1944: RSHA Amt IV (Spanish desk)  
(- April 1945  
Last Rank: Kriminalrat

A German denazification court sentenced HEIN to 3 years' imprisonment in 1947. He was released in 1948.

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